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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED OCTOBER 20, 2004

This Reply is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on October 20, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

The Examiner requires restriction to one of the following five groups of claims:

Group I – Claims 1-24; drawn to a system for in situ determination of lubricity in a fluid, classified in class 73, subclass 53.05.

Group II – Claims 25-32, drawn to a method for calculating lubricity of a fluid within machinery, classified in class 73, subclass 53.05.

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Group III – Claims 33-35, drawn to a system that facilitates controlling lubricity of a fluid, classified in class 73, subclass 53.05.

Group IV – Claims 36-45, drawn to a system that facilitates synthesis of a Fourier Infra Red spectrum plot of a fluid, classified in class 73, subclass 53.01.

Group V – Claims 46-49, drawn to a system that facilitates analysis of a fluid, classified in class 73, subclass 53.01.

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Applicant's representative hereby elects with traverse Group I (Claims 1-24, drawn to a system for in situ determination of lubricity in a fluid, classified in class 73, subclass 53.05) for further prosecution on the merits.

Should there be any questions regarding this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number below.

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